

# MINUTES

Eugene City Council  
Bascom/Tykeson Room, Eugene Library  
Eugene, Oregon 97401

May 28, 2013  
7:30 p.m.

**Councilors Present:** George Brown, Betty Taylor, Alan Zelenka, George Poling, Chris Pryor, Claire Syrett, Greg Evans, Mike Clark (via conference phone)

Her Honor, Mayor Piercy, called the May 28, 2013, City Council meeting to order.

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

In honor of Memorial Day, Mayor Piercy read an excerpt from President Obama's Memorial Day Proclamation. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by five students from Bridgeway House.

2. **PUBLIC FORUM**

1. *Nick Moll*, presented information about being sustainable, green and wise with resources.
2. *Hallie Ford*, presented information about being sustainable, green and wise with resources.
3. *Megan Kemple*, asked the council to support legislation related to climate change.
4. *David Gizara, Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee*, conveyed recommendations for improvements to Willamette Street.
5. *Alley Valkyrie*, expressed concern about the actions of the Downtown Guides.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- A. [Approval of City Council Minutes](#)
- B. [Approval of Tentative Working Agenda](#)

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilor Poling, seconded by Councilor Pryor, moved to approve the items on the Consent Calendar. PASSED: 7:0, Councilor Clark absent.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 20508 to Extend the Temporary Suspension of Multiple Unit Property Tax Exemptions (MUPTE) under Sections 2.945 and 2.947 of the Eugene Code, 1971, Through July 31, 2013.**

1. *Dennis Casady*, supported the permanent suspension of MUPTE.

*Councilor Clark arrived at the meeting via conference phone at 8:00 p.m.*

5. **ACTION: Ordinance Amending the Eugene-Springfield Metropolitan Area General Plan (Metro Plan) by Adopting a New Metro Plan Boundary that Is Coterminous with the City of Springfield Urban Growth Boundary East of Interstate 5; Adopting Savings and Severability Clauses; and Providing for an Effective Date (City File MA 11-1)**

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilor Poling, seconded by Councilor Pryor, moved to adopt Council Bill 5067, an ordinance amending the Eugene-Springfield Metropolitan Area General Plan (Metro Plan). PASSED 6:2, councilors Taylor and Brown opposed.

**6. WORK SESSION: Disposition of Surplus Property**

Community Development Division Manager Mike Sullivan provided an overview of the proposal to sell the City-owned property at 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue and High Street to the owners of the Shedd.

**Council Discussion:**

- There was general agreement that the Shedd is a great community partner and its expansion plans are in keeping with downtown goals and vision.
- Concerns were expressed about the process used to sell the property; some felt that an open, competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) process should have been used.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilor Poling, seconded by Councilor Pryor moved to authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase and sale agreement with the Shedd Institute for the Arts for the disposition of the quarter-block property located at 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue and High Street consistent with the terms and conditions included in Attachment B. PASSED 6:2, councilors Taylor and Brown opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

/s/ Michelle Mortensen

Michelle Mortensen  
Deputy City Recorder